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**Perdue Appoints Willis, Crowder to Key Legislative Staff Positions**

Governor-elect Bev Perdue today announced that she is appointing Andy Willis as her administration's Senior Advisor for Governmental Affairs and Courtney Crowder as Legislative Director.

"Andy and Courtney will bring to our team a wealth of experience and proven ability to get things done," said Perdue. "They'll play key roles in making our vision to get North Carolina back on track a reality."

Willis is currently Vice President for Government Relations for the 17-campus University of North Carolina system, and from 2003 to 2006 served as Assistant to the Chancellor for External Affairs for North Carolina State University. From 1996 until 2003, he served as the Senior Budget Policy and Fiscal Analyst for the Fiscal Research Division of the North Carolina General Assembly. He holds a Masters degree in Public Administration from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from North Carolina State University.

Crowder currently works in the Government Relations Group at Capstrat, Incorporated and previously served as Legislative Liaison & Special Assistant to the Commissioner at the North Carolina Department of Insurance. He has also worked as a District Representative for